Creation of Indian Broadcasting Service

248. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to create Indian Broadcasting Service;

(b) if so, by when such All India Services are proposed to be created;

(c) whether any steps have been taken in that direction so far; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA) : (a) to (d) While Government are in favour of the establishment of the Indian Broadcasting (Programme) Service, the question has now to be examined in the context of the decision to convert All India Radio and Doordarshan into an autonomous corporation.

Regional Programmes in National Network

249. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to include regional programmes in national network of Doordarshan; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) and (b) Basically, Hindi and English are the principal language for the language-based items of the National network programmes of Doordarshan. However, programmes on regional music concerts, customs and traditions of different parts of the country, regional language programmes with subtitles, and song and dance sequences from regional feature films are periodically telecast in the national network of Doordarshan.

श्रीलंका में भारतीय मूल के लोगों की सुरक्षा

250. **सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :**
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या **विदेश** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि श्रीलंका में भारतीय मूल के लोगों की सुरक्षा को ध्यान में रखते हुये भारत और श्रीलंका के बीच 1985 में एक समझौता हुआ था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि चार वर्ष बीत जाने के उपरांत भी भारतीय मूल के लोगों की सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित नहीं हो पाई है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इस संबंध में पुनर्विचार करने और श्रीलंका सरकार के साथ नये सिरे से बातचीत प्रारंभ करने पर विचार कर रही है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में सरकार की भावी योजना क्या है ?

विदेश मंत्री (श्री इन्द्र कुमार गुजराल): (क) 1985 में इस प्रकार कोई करार संपन्न नहीं हुआ ।

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